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The document is a printed booklet, issued by the Directorate General of the German Reichsbahn, and printed by the Reichsbahn Directorate Dresden at the Printing Co. of Land Sachsen. Its title is: Wage Agreement for the Employees of the German Reichsbahn of the German Democratic Republic, as agreed upon on 26 February 1950, effective 1 April 1950.

Affixed to the book is a typewritten copy of a letter, dated 20 January 1951, from the Reichsbahn Directorate Berlin to all its subordinate offices explaining that in view of the Labor Law of 19 April 1950 and the Law for Protection of Mothers and Children and the Rights of Women of 27 September 1950, pregnant women will get social security benefits, and that consequently the pregnancy provisions of paragraph 12 of the wage agreement are for all practical purposes suspended.

The wage agreement, registered at the Ministry of Labor and Health, was concluded by the Directorate General of the German Reichsbahn and the Railroad Industrial Union in the League of Free German Trade Unions. In 20 paragraphs, 9 enclosures, and one appendix it regulates work and wage conditions for all wage and salary earners employed by the Reichsbahn, with the exception of contract gate-crossing guards, railroad agents, and employees of agricultural subsidiaries. Wages are computed on a time or piecework basis according to four location groups, type of activity, and wage groups. Differences concerning the application or interpretation of the wage agreement are to be negotiated among the parties to the agreement or to be submitted to a conciliation committee whose decision is final.

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